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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 18, 2007, please enter this Response into the file of the above-entitled application.

In accordance with USPTO practice, each section of this Response begins on a separate sheet. Applicant submits, these amendments and remarks serve to clarify the present invention, and are independent of patentability.